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With a little help from Sae, Toji decides the best thing he can do for Momo is to leave her alone. Momo doesn't know what to think, but Kiley is there to comfort her. As the new school year begins, everything's changed, and not necessarily for the better. Unable to resist, Sae is set to pull another dirty trick on Momo when Kiley swoops in to save the day. Momo can't help but wonder if Kiley, and not Toji, is really her knight in shining armor.

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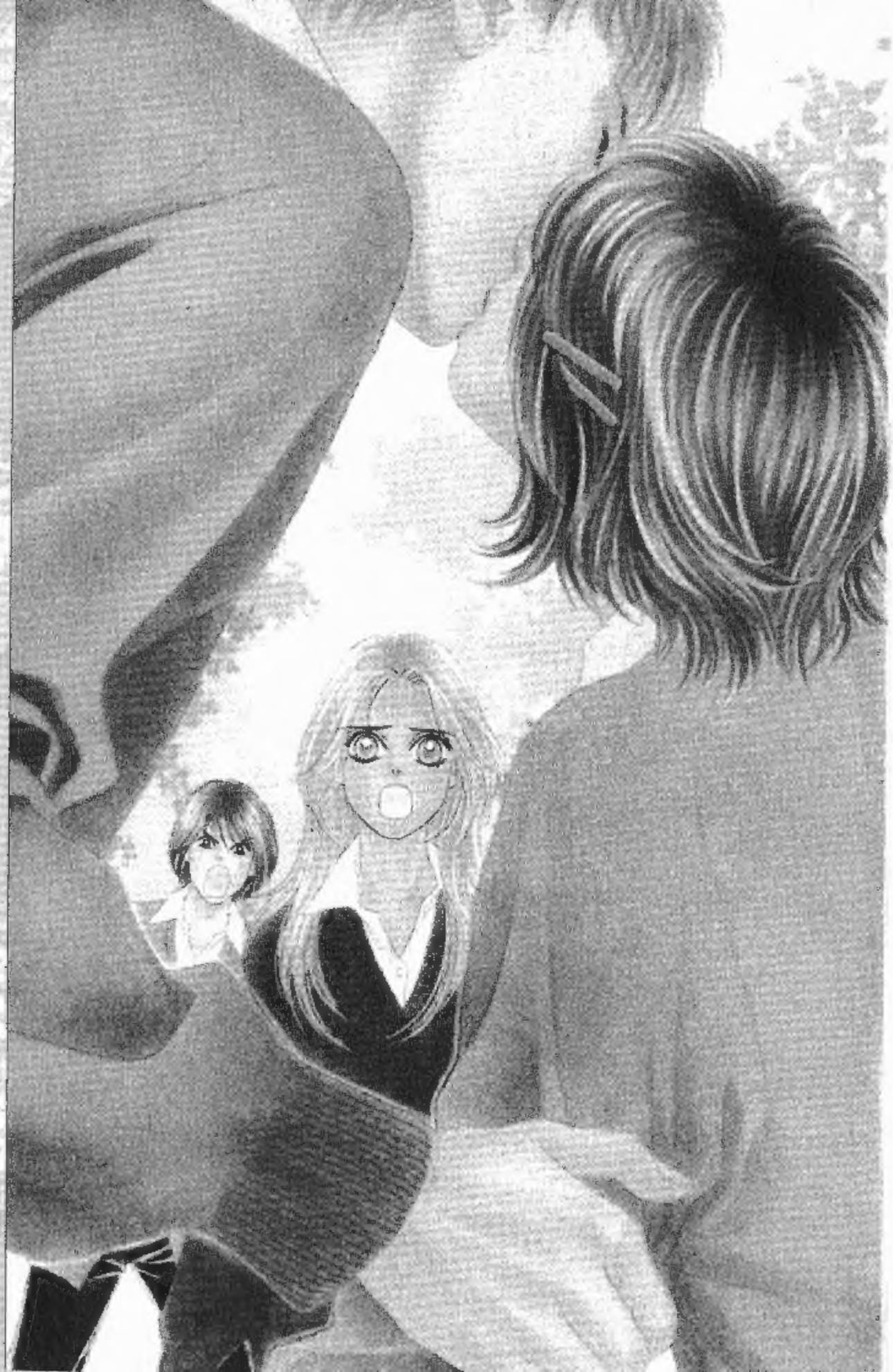

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## MOMO vs SAE:
### Death match, the whole story!

Momo and Toji were happily in love, but trouble starts when Sae, who always wants what Momo has, plots to steal Toji away. Sae plans to drug Momo's drink, and while she's knocked out and helpless, have her devoted boy-toy, Goro "The Gigolo," take her virginity. Momo is devastated, but Toji's love helps to ease her pain. However, Sae blackmails Toji with pictures she took of Gigolo and Momo at the hotel, and demands that Toji dump Momo. In order to protect Momo, Toji breaks up with her and begins dating Sae. But Momo isn't easily convinced, and confronts Toji. Finally, Toji says that he'll prove that he and Sae are for real, by kissing her right in front of poor Momo!

Everything you need to know.

**MOMO ADACHI:**
Was dating Toji. But now it's ...over?!

**SAE KASHIWAGI:**
Momo's sworn enemy. Arranged to have Momo's virginity stolen. Happiest when others are unhappy.

**TOJI TOJIKAMORI:**
Sae's mission in life. She blackmailed him into dumping Momo?!

**KILEY OKAYASU:**
He knows Momo better than anyone. When it's time to take Sae down, he's the man!

**GORO:**
Supermodel. Did he really steal Momo's virginity?

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*Ha-ha-ha-ha-ha!

So there.

You're late!

Toji!

I was waiting for you! ♡

カツ

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イチャ

つーーん

How low can you go?

.....

パン

パン

Of course, I turned him down at first...

I felt bad for Momo, y'know?

つや, つや

But Toji was so aggressive.

So I guess I was swept away, y'know?

I can't believe it!!

You like Sae now?

"So there..."

Is that how you really feel?

読んで!

Read me!

……

ごめん



And the next problem is...

Why, Toji?

How could you be so cruel?

I'm so shocked, I don't know what to say..!

I don't want to break up with you!

You're getting on my nerves.

So stop following me.

Sae won't like it.

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Wait!

But what *do you mean*? We haven't even really broken up yet!

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I don't want to get back together!

I told you already!

You're really stubborn!

Huh? You're not getting mad?

You don't have the energy to get mad anymore?

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……

I'm just expressing your inner voice... ♡

It's because you're right... ……

He thought he was being cool, saying, "If Momo dies, I'll die too."

But he's shown how shallow he really is.

Then just say good riddance! Who needs him?! ♪

You can start going out with me! ♡

**Don't put him down like that!!**

That's awful!

Why are you going out with Sae now?!

I thought we were in love!!

What are you doing?

...but I can't stand that you've chosen Sae!!!

How could you date Sae?! I don't want to break up...

The time we've spent together... There's no way it can break apart this easily.

C'mon! Leave me alone!

No matter what.

I'll still believe.

You're waiting for him again?

Otherwise, there's no way Toji would act like this

He denied it yesterday, but I'm sure it has something to do with those photos.

Sae is blackmailing Toji somehow.

Of course.

You really believe in him.

...don't you?

In fact, he said that he found you annoying.

The fact that he hasn't means that he doesn't care about you anymore.

At first he felt sorry for you.

But now he can't stand you anymore.

He's getting kinda freaked out that you're stalking him, actually.

Can't you see you're just getting on his nerves?

Why don't you give it up?

Still hung up on that?

Oh, you're one to talk.

You're the one using those photos to blackmail him.

...then he'd take them from me no matter what and get back together with you

Besides, even if I were to try to blackmail him, if he really loved you...

How stupid can you be?

"He's getting kinda freaked out that you're stalking him, actually."

Jm.. uh...

どっ くっ

C-can I have my cell phone back?

No, no, no. That's not what I came here to say...

My cell phone. You still have it, right?

W-- wait

I'll give it back tomorrow.

I left it in my locker.



I'll tell you a secret. ♡

Oh, poor Momo

!

To" already went home out the back exit.

.....

If he's going through all this trouble to avoid you...

See?

?!!

What do you want?

.....

東寺ケ森
Tojikamori

Please ta k to me abo_t it. Some th ngs you can't do alone.

"Toji, if you're worried about sometning, don't no d it in.

But if we try, we can work it out together."

Do you remember ...

...what . said at the park?

B_t if we face it togetner, I know I can nandle it!

don't know wnat Sae sa d or d'd to you.

To_!

バタン

To_!

ピンポンピンポン

Toji.

To_!

!'l fight through it

So p ease, don't try to do it by yourse f!

Sure s.

t's co d today.

カルチャー

So please, Toji.

To, ...

Go home.

sniff sniff

Achoo!

I be strong

No matter what happens, be okay

But have to make Toji understand.

It's cold

That's ..!

!

On and this, too.

On yeah...

.....

If you stay there like that, all the neighbors will talk

While you're at it, go ahead and throw these away.

These ..

were from my birthday

don't want them anymore.

This meant so much to me!

This was the first present you gave me...

Jeez.

You don't need it anymore now

Sorry.

My hand slipped.

"How do you read this?"

"Amour!"

"That means love!"

"Amour de Patou."

How...

How could you?

TOJI!!

Toji!

Toji!

No!

It's not true!

Wait!

W--

I...

I can't stand it!

Don't go!

I can't go on without you!

Toji!!

Don't leave me!!

Don't leave!

Momo didn't come to schoo today

She ca..ght a co d and had to stay home.

t seems she was cry.ng in the freez ng snow...outside a certain guy's house...

Ho d on.

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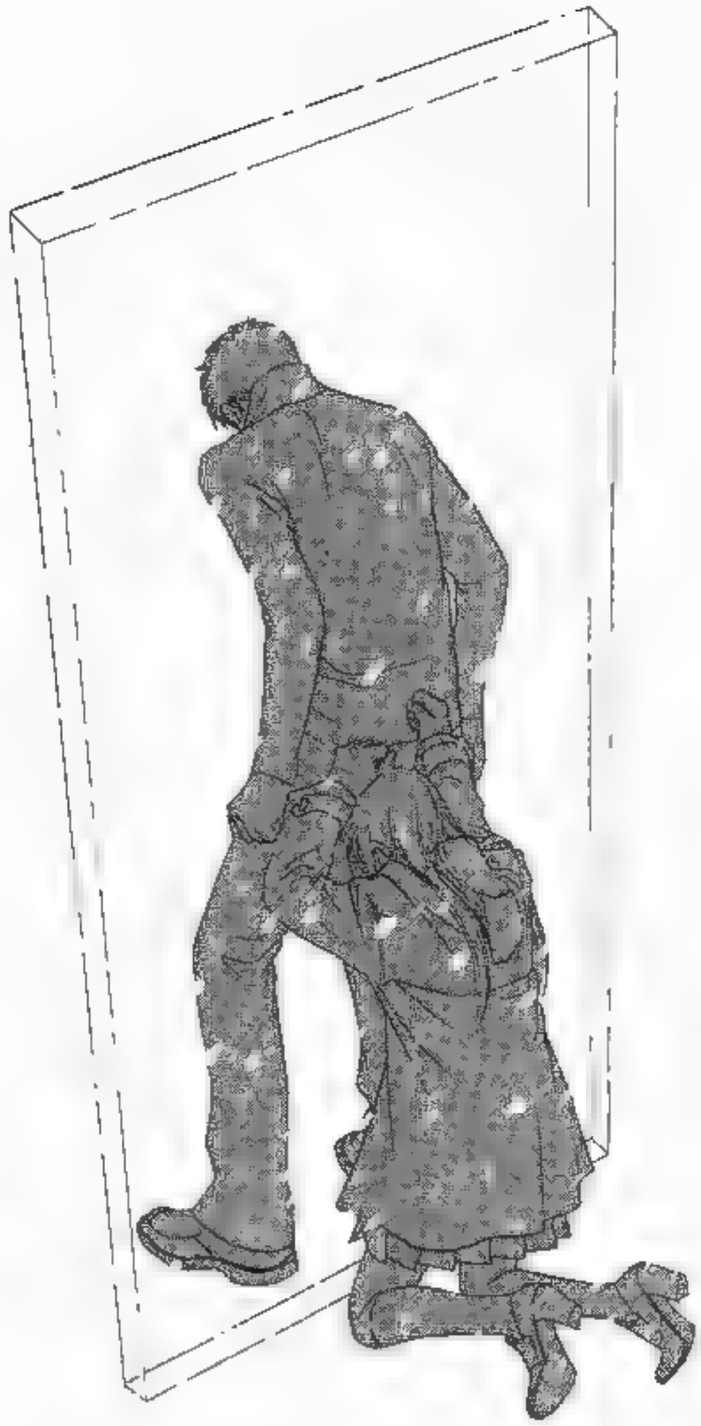
Have you gone insane?



..to talk to me that way?

Why yo....

You bastard !!

I'm not nearly as insane as you.

Somebody stop them

What gives you the right..

Is that the kind of guy you are?

Momo trusted you How could you do that to her?

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You're acting like little kids.

Look at you two.

Ouch!

There. You're done!

If you've got so much energy, why don't you donate some blood.

Hmph!

And don't cut class

And you... You have class. So scoot!

You're next, Toj.

What's the matter?

Why were you fighting?



Is he really that strong?

Although you look like you're the one who's worse for the wear.

D'd Kiley try to pull a move on Momo again?

I saw her name on the absentee list.

Come to think of it, Momo didn't come to school today.

I shut her out...

Yeah, it's been cold lately

.....

It's been spreading lately.

Is it a cold?

But when I turn around, it's there again... ...covered in scratches, but still waiting..

...to make it go away

I'll throw rocks at it...

What happened...?

I don't want to hurt her like that

Why did I have to... ...do that to her?

She came to my house.

Hun?

And she waited for hours in the snow, but I left her there.

What were you thinking?

Well, of course she'd catch a cold!!

...She just keeps coming back... believing in me like a stray puppy.

No matter how many times I turn my back on her..

She's so dumb...

Secret rendezvous at Hotel!
ホテルで密会
...motel with a high school girl!
元モデル女子高生と

But f everyone finds out.

I know she just wants to forget that ep sode .

.....

She can get over a break up event..a y

But she can never erase a scanda .

.t might scar her for life!

She threatened to show those p ctures to reporters...?.

But have a fee ng Sae s capable of that.

don't know

s she ser ous?

What is **wrong** with her?!

.....

f she did that, who knows how badly that could hurt Momo...

That's unbel ev- ab e

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コホッ

If
only...

If she wants to hate me, that's okay..

So that's why you

But this is the only way I can protect her...

# ピチガール

## PEACH CLUB

Hello everybody! Welcome to *Peach Girl 8*

This time around, with my illustration collection coming out, alternate cover illustrations, interviews, and the O-Bon festival, I haven't been able to deliver the end-of-book Bonus Pages. If you were looking forward to it, I'm sorry!

On the other hand, I feel I've overwritten a bit, and reading some of your letters, it seems that some of the subject matter is going in circles. So I would like to end the "Sae vs. Momo" features.

But if I get some more interesting letters, maybe I'll bring it back?

Oh, and for all of you who read Book 7, thank you for visiting my homepage. Of course, you may have bought Book 7 but never saw the web address, so here it is once again. If you have a PC, please come by [illegible]

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Internal Medicine

don't need t anymore

What did I do wrong?

Is it really over between us?

Please, Toji

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Damn dog...

.....

A r o o o !!

Arf! Arf! Arf! Arf! Arf! Arf! Arf!

"Damn dog."



"I'm sorry about today."

"I was in the area."

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カバッ

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……

You're still sick. You shouldn't be out there dressed like that.

I'm such a fool...

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わん

Ask me about what ..?

……?

Where are the negat ves?

The pictures you took of Momo with that model.

ヒロヒロ

What are yo. ta king about?

You nave them, don't you?

I have a neadache. Can I lie down for a wh e?

Nurse...

保健室
Nurse s office

Then let's take your temperature.

Yes, ma'am

ぶらぶら

Sae

ピクッ

I was plann ng to visit your home today.

There's something I want to ask you.

You don't ...

You don't really believe I would do that...?

What

You only listen to Toji

You never even heard my side of the story!

You're horrible ..

Stop pretending to cry

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ラン

Horrible!!

I heard from Toji.

That if he didn't break up with Momo..

...you'd spread the pictures around and show them to reporters.

!

never said such a thing

...

How do you think Toji felt, breaking up with Momo?

"If only..."

"I wish I didn't have to break up with her."

"I want to run to her and hold her in my arms."

"But if I do that, Momo.."

You took advantage of Toji's feelings for Momo.

What makes you think he would be happy to be together with you?

You blabbed.

That do-gooder even came to my house to make trouble

She said she' come tomorrow too!

Remember, have the upper hand.

t won't do you any good to struggle.

Why d'd you tell that witch everything?

You know what'll happen if you defy me, right?



Where's your proof?

Do you have proof that I did it?

He lo?

Momo?

t's me, Kako

ピー

I'm away from the phone right now. P ease leave your message after the tone.

RRRR...

We , I'l talk to you later.

Bye.

hope you come back soon. Everyone's worried about you.

How are you feeling?

It's been... one... two...

...a week since I stopped go ng to school...

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You're mine. Understand?

feel like could die.

I might die without you...

ヒロ

My fever's gone...

36.2°

But can't stop crying..

Le Tome de PATOU

When I was sad..

...you always came running

After a .

...you were always there for me...

To .

'm such a foo ..

Le Tome de PATOU

still want to believe ..

It's not fine!

I'm still in my pajamas

That's fine C'mon ♪

Let's go! You need some fresh air!

Wait.

MOMO! ♪

ぶぁっ

Mmmm

What a beautiful day!

Oh, let's go for a boat ride!

HA HA HA HA

I told you, be here every day until you get better.

You're here again ...?

Looks like you've been crying again.

Oh

C'mon! Let's go out! ♡

Your fever's gone by now, right?

C'mon, you can't just mope around the house all day.

!

Knock it off already!!

Then now about a kiss...?

I like you better mad than sad.

Aha.. That's more like it

Couples, couples everywhere...

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うじゃ

とりはよーん

Depressed

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Do you want to go for a boat ride?!

ふる ふる

How about it?!

Let's get some food

Hey!

たいやき

B..t.

...ne hated Sae...

He said..

..nobody could love her.

That's what he sa'd...

What? You don't believe me?

Don't try to be nice.

What are you talking about? You're p enty attractive, Momo.

So that must mean that she was more attractive, right...?

But even after that, he chose Sae.

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I don't be eve you.

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Beats me. .

I'm not Toj . so I don't know.

s he rea y .

. . n love w th Sae now?

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. Toj break up w t n me?

Wh y d d...

t doesn't cost anything to try it on.

So c'mon...

Okay, okay.

What are you thinking? Bringing me here.

Hmm

No, not this. Not this either...

This one.

Isn't it cute? ♡

しゃらら～ん

Then...

I'll prove it to you!.

All right, then!!

ポン！

Okay!

What?

Next!

WOWWWWWW!! ♡

Bravo!

Well...

Wait a minute. I have to pay for this...

Don't worry. I took care of it already.

?!!

C'mon, wait.

Does it suit me?

Excuuuuse me Can we try this on?

You look amazing

Before I knew it, was caught up in his momentum.

Yes, it's Kiley

But

Well...

Oh, we're

Look! Boobs!

Don't worry about paying. It's my treat today.

What do you mean you took care of it?

Oh, out, Kiley.

Look at this! I'll bet this'll look hot on you too!

You have a brother?

"Buy whatever you want!" My brother got an unexpected cash windfall. So when I asked him for some dough, he told me,

Take a look at this.

*Gold Card

It's my pleasure. Just relax and enjoy it!

I want to give you a present.

Still, can't just let you...

It's cool!

Have I seen you on TV?

The star of the snow!

You're amaz ng

But it's true!

So pretty!

C'mon knock it off

Cut t out

Yean, I tn nk like your smi e the best. ♡

WHOA!!

Momo! You look gorgeous!

You're so sexy!

Incred b e

You're so stub-born.

But that's you, Momo.

ガチャ

I'm home

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シャー

キュッ

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See?

It's just like I said.

Hey, see? They're looking at you again.

Um, I'll pay for this dress, okay?

I don't have any cash now, but I'll pay you back with my New Year's money

No no. I can't let you do that.

Why?

It's my gift to you.

You're pretty attractive

You shouldn't put yourself down like that.

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ちんちん

*Arf
Arf

If one of my girlfriends said that to me,

I probably wouldn't have believed it.

"Momo! You look gorgeous!"

"Incredible"

I didn't know I could still laugh.

Oops.

I forgot to thank him!

Oh well maybe next time I see him.

I'm glad he took me out today.

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Hey, Momo!

ガチャッ

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No matter how long I wait for him...

...not coming back, is he?

To...is...

He's...

He's not coming...

I guess...

It really is over...

There was something I forgot to tell you...

How did you know I was coming?

I know it's hard, but you can't keep running away.

Come to school tomorrow, okay?

# ピーチガール

Let's go see!!

The new classroom ass gnments are up.

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murmur

On...

How ong
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day!

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安達　もも
Adach　Momo

岡安　浬
Okayasu　Key

柏木　沙絵
Kashiwagi　Sae

東寺ケ森　一矢
Toyiksmori　Kazuya

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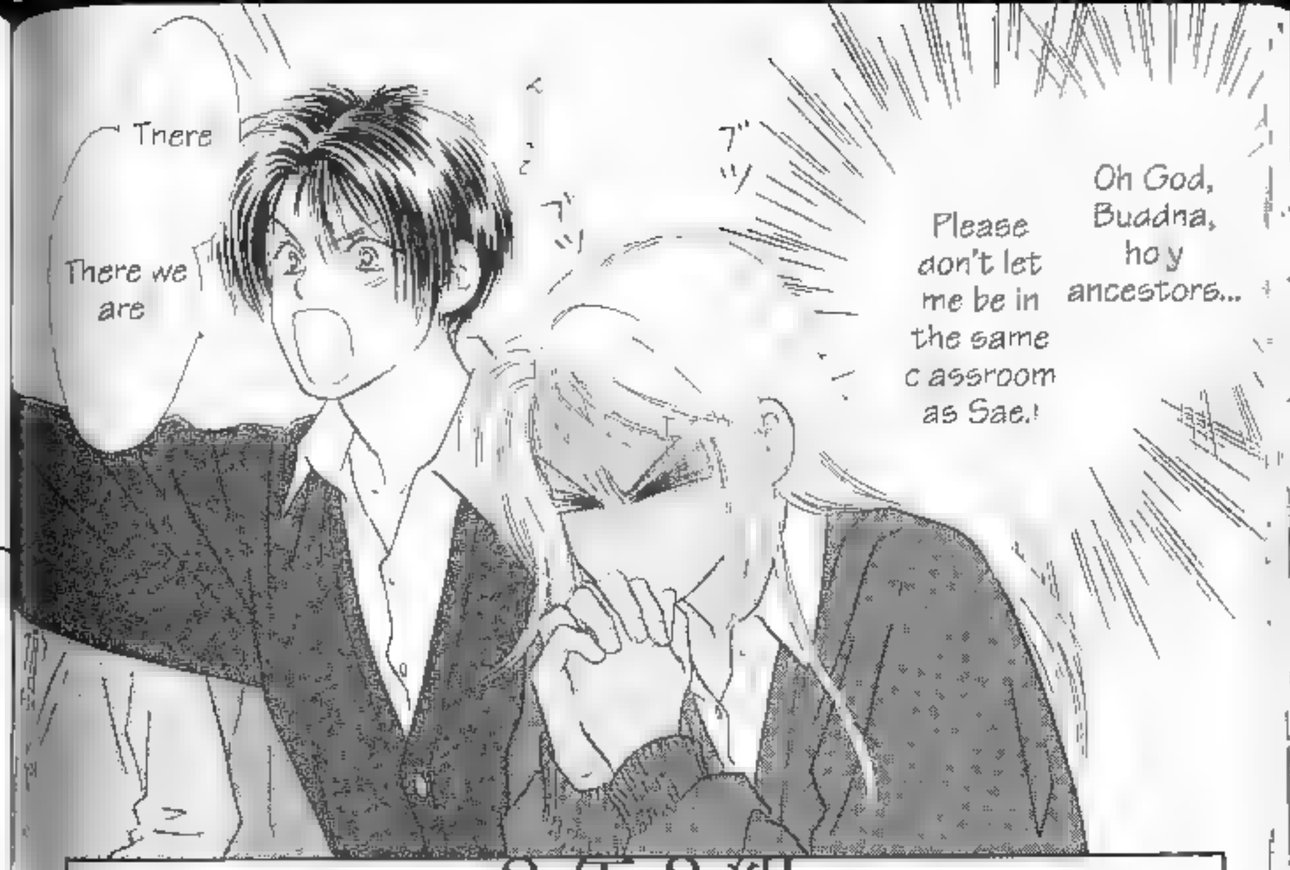


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Adach　Momo

岡安　浬
Orayasu　K ey

Let them do what they want

Who cares?

What's with her? She just wants everyone to look, doesn't she?

These three are together again, too

Nah

But ...doesn't it just make your skin crawl?

It's all in the past now.

It's over with Toji

2 - 3

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I'm so happy.

We're in the same class together again, Toji ♡

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イチャ

Give me a break

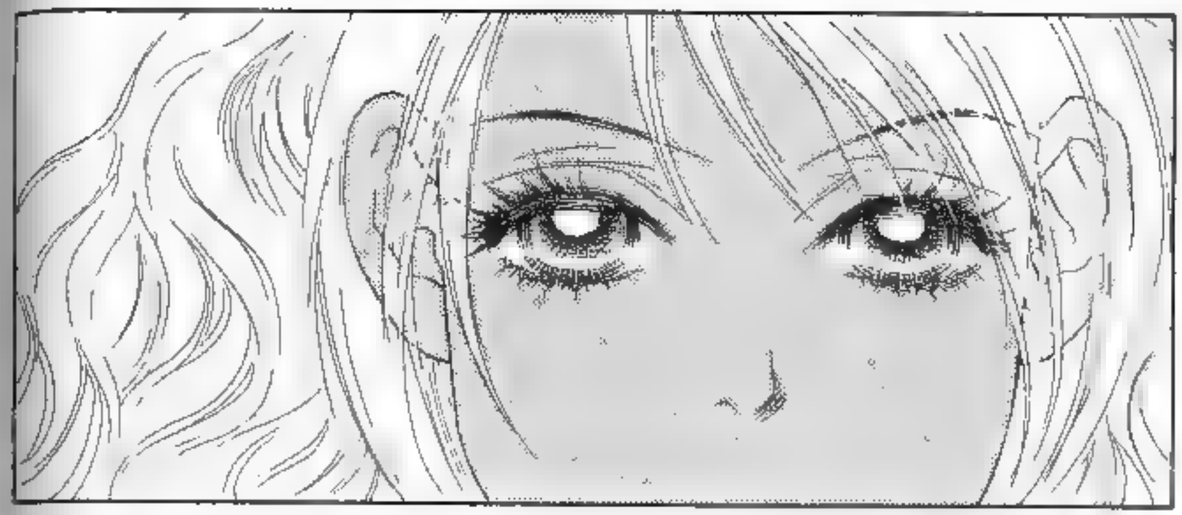
Do I have to put up with this for another year?

So, what's on the lunch menu?

But the one bright spot in all of this...

A right, now discuss in your separate groups.

But I guess have no luck...



When we pass each other, we don't make eye contact...

It's been 3 months now...

We don't speak...

We'll carry your luggage for you

Don't worry, Sae. You don't have to do anything

want to toast marshmallows!

How about a barbecue?

Yeah, that sounds cool

Sae's group, all guys

When I'm with Kiley Sae doesn't bother me

I wanted a fresh start. That's what I was hoping for in my dreams...

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For my [illegible]n or year, I was hoping that we would end up in separate classrooms.

All right then, let's go

No one forgot anything, right?

I'm glad I have Kiley.

Why don't we sneak away? ♡

Momo... Momo...

It's better than being in class.

We're in high school already. And we still have to do mountain hikes?

No way.

While you're at it, you can feel free to...

Doesn't it make you feel free?

Look at this mountain. Nature's all around us.

Why?

...and he knows it. So he shields me from her.

Sue can't handle Kiley...

I feel comfortable around Kiley...

...but I've had enough of love for a while.

# 女王然

Want some BBQ?

チヤホヤ

Are you tired, Sae?

チヤホヤ

Would you ke some tea?

*Queen Sae

.....

Go and get me a wet towe

My hands are d rty.

To

Isn't ife grand?

He does whatever want.

Because he oves me.

Sne treats him like a slave.

Is Sae rea ly going out with n m?

Well, same for us.

'm g ad

Hm?

Yean, you're smil ng more often now, too.

You ook happ er, Momo.

C'mon! Stop it

You were down In the dumps

You had "oser" written al. over your face.

It was hard see ng you l'ke that.

Oh? Re-a-l-y?

かっき

There's noth ng going on! We're just friends!

So, c'mon. What's going on?

We know, it's because of Kiley.

Are you two an tem yet?

Yeah that!

You mean this?

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ぼしゃっ

Momoi Can you bring the oil?

キュッ!!

ニヤ——

!

Mo...

MOMO!!

ドサッ

AAHH!!

!!

You're st. in love with Momo, aren't yo.?

Are you jealous that Ki ey got there first?

You looked like you wanted to go he p ner.

Why don't you say someth ng?

.....

You need to coo the burn with water!

Yeah, it's no big deal

Are you okay, Momo?

Wow, that was scary!

.....

Am I magining things...? I swear I was pushed from behind...

But See was sitting, so

We, sorrrr-ry.

You're such a klutz.

Okay, you're fine now.

Be careful now

Thank you

Ugh.

Get a room.

Oh, please...

Kiss me.

カゞっ

You and are a couple!

Do you under-stand?

You stupid lug!!

No reaction, en?

Uh

The others are waiting for us

Let's go, Key.

Jh, okay.

Who do you think you are?!

ヒッ

What?

You've got some nerve

When you were dating Toji, you wouldn't look twice at Kiley.

Kiley's Fan Club?

And now you come crawling back

You're pathetic.

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はは

Aaaaah!!♡

Say, "an," Momo. ♡

Yeah, you're beyond happy now.

What's up Momo?

Oh, really?

C'mon, there's lots of food left. Eat up Eat up

Wow!

That's tasty

My turn! My turn! Open wide! ♡

We saw Kiley first after all

Yeah

Lets go...

...Lets go!

In the bath room.

She' catch up.

Hey, where's Momo?

Pheww.

The day goes by so fast

Yeah, now we have to go back down that mountain

Maybe we should leave them a one?

My aren't we considerate ♡

Oh, yeah Besides, she has Key to take care of her.



She went down with Kako.

That's right.

She really left already?

What?

So lets go down together

Really?

ガア

If Kiley still likes me...

I wonder...

Was taking advantage of Key's kindness?

Boy, I'm tired

...and we grow closer

"You've got some nerve."

Have a nice trip ♪

くすっ

BASE

Heh heh

ガサッ ガサ

Up to her old tricks

ガサ ガサ ガサ

I should have caught up with them by now.

Where is everybody?

Something's not right.

ろろろ

I don't remember this tra...

No way

Wait a minute

Hun?

Where is everybody?

BASE

Am I being cruel?

Everyone walks down too fast.

Jeez

Jn on... spent too much time think ng...

BASE

たたたた

BASE

BASE

きりっ

BASE

スキ!!

!!

Ggg..

Owww!!

Oh, this is just... great.

break time

Hey?

Owwwww!!

バサ バサ

ガー

How do I get back..?

.....

カァ

カァ

ガっ

Yikes!

ガさっ

ガサ ガサ

It's getting dark.

What should I do?

ガサー

I have to get back to that trail before it gets too dark for me to see

K-

NAMI!
KAKO!
RIKKO!!

KILEY!!

ウソ

What should do? I'm lost.

What I'm one to do? I came to find here.

...

Somebody!

Where's Momo?

What's going on?

Hold on!

But I heard she left early

I thought she was with you

Wasn't she with you?

コソ コソ

It's no good.

I can't walk...

ふぅ...

Ergh!

へたっ

Ha ha..

It wasn't a light...

じわっ

.....

Why me?

I didn't do anything wrong...

Why do these things happen to me?

That's what Toji always said...

It's times like these you've got to smile!

No! Unh-uh!

!

根の生

Heaven helps those who help themselves.

*Determined

A light.

うんせっ

うんせっ

Yes! It's a light! I'm saved!

I'm saved..

I still love you, Toji!

Even if we're not together.

No matter how coldly you treat me...

Your smile is worth more than anyone else's.

"Who do you think you are?!"

I'm not okay.

It's so painful every time I see you.

it's because of what you said to me... that I can still try to smile.

But still, I'll try to go on.

Toji...

**Momo!** Found you!

Huh? Did you hurt your leg?

Everyone's been looking for you.

You big dummy. You get lost?

.....

はぁ

しっ

We're sorry for being dumb!

I'm just...

13½

You...

.....

There you go, crying again.

Uh, oh.

..t's not...

...far...

ぎゅっ

You must have been scared all by yourself...

I'm sorry

Why do..

Why do you always pop up, when I'm so vulnerable...

Wh

くん

# ピーチガール

ふふっ

Ha ha ha ha ha!

Oh, you're so cute, Momo!

That's why I love you!

ぼ'

don't know

チュン
チュン

Do I love Kiley?

But.

I feel safe with Key.

I didn't mina...

シャコ、
シャコ
シャコ



Now what..?

ざーん。

Let him sweep me away..

I said it again...

ぐ

ちゅ

?!?!

I went too far this time.

Ugh!

No.

To me a kiss is more.

Bye, Mom.

Something I can feel down to the core of my body...

Almost painfully.

It's something so much more.

ちんちんちん

*Arf arf!

Is that what a kiss is like...?

eez..

Stupid dog!!

.....

I'm sorry, Kiley...

I called you a dog.

Kissing Kiley was kind of like this.

It wasn't disgusting like that but

idiot

equals

idiot



But what does Kiley think about yesterday...?

Yes, yes, yes!

Momo and I volunteer to be the Beautification Chairs!

So? t sounds easy

t should be better than being on the Athletics or Disciplinary Chairs

Health would've been fun, though.

Who said wanted to be on the Beautification Chair...?

Wa

Don't just assume you know what want!

I thought we wouldn't have to do anything.

Oops 'm sorry.

a an't know we'a nave to be in charge of the flower garden

無　視っ

もぐ　もぐ

ignoring m

Momo?

Momo?

Hey, you there! Get to work

She loves me not

What is it that want?

……?

What are you getting mad for, Momo?

Never m nd ..

……

But if we don't nurry up and decide, we might end up in the same group as Toji and Sae.

Is that ok?

……

美化委員会

Adach

phew

I'm such a klutz

Burned my hand

ぺたっ

Do I ove Kiley?

Or am I just using him...?

Darn.

Ow

カ!!!

Oh, here they are. ♪

ガタガタ

2-3

So where are... ...the bandages.

not back yet.

Toji's

I wonder what happened to the other one?

She's picky with details

Hmm? He got a new eraser

!!

Anyway, think it over, Toj

Crap, somebody's coming.

ガヤ…

ペチ ペチ ペチ

C'mon. You don't do anything after school anyway, right?

Yeah, but it's already the middle of the season.

You've gotta be kidding!

Wha--

What?

Okay.

See ya.

ガラ…

To_'s desk..

Hen neh.

カタン…

What can I do?

ドキン ドキン ドキン

What can I say--?

ドキン

Can you come over?

The captain wants to talk to you.

Hey, Toji

Toji...!

Oh, no! I've still got his pen case!

ぷる ぷる ぷる

What am I going to do?

ドキン

Wha--

はっ

what should I do?

ドキン

.....

I can't do it.

If I'm still so unstable...

I'm just going to end up hurting Kiley

If I still feel this way about Toji...

I can't be with Kiley...

You both went to the same junior high, right?

Anyway, he's here and he wants to talk to you.

The captain ..?

.....

ピロリロリロ ピッ

All right I'm coming.

Oh

うあああ

What am I thinking?

I'm such a spaz!

はっ

I wonder, if I kissed him again...

don't want to lose Kiyoe ther...

But...

How do I really feel about Kiyo...?

.....

Where were you?!

I was so lonely!

Hiiiii Momo!

!!!

Eiyaaaahhh!

pat

pat

pat

Oh.

almost forgot!

wanted to show you something, Momo.

.....

It's not a walnut

Know what this is?

It's a peach pit

じゃーーーん!!



Now I did it

Whoops.

はっ

あーーあ せっかく植えたのに……

And finish everything, ok?

You guys stay behind

トントン

Because I don't know!

Why?
Why?
Why?
Then why?

How I feel

Don't know what?

To be honest, I've been re ying on you a lot lately.

You make me feel comfortab.e, and apprec ate it.

But I nave a feel ng that it's not the best thing for me...

レ——ル...

How about it? In ce ebrat.on of our being assigned to homeroom togetner..

I was think ng we could p lant th.s togetner.

Are you mad at me..

...for kissing you the otner day...?

Momo

You're mad, aren't you?

You're being real y co d to me.

Don't lie!

I'm not mad..

'm not avoid- ng you.

Then why are yo. avoiding me?

No...?

I don't want to lose you...

But you're more than just a friend, Kiley

Why s that?

Because I stil nave feelings for Toj.

I might just be using you to not have to deal with being onely.

まよとん

, naven't tried to get by on my own yet..

I'm just taking the easy way out.

I'm stil: in love with Toji.

'm sorry, Kiley.

.....

Just don't know how I fee. right now

But I don't know if that's ove

.. or f 'm just doing what is easiest.

あはは

On, is **that** it?

Aha...

..and t's
t me for
your flower
to bloom

You've
had a ooong
w nter. But it's
spr ng now

Then
that's
fine
with
me.

But
you do
'ke being
with me,
r ght?

Wel, you
don't know
if you ove
me or not.

What's
so funny?

.. don't
m nd
be ng
used

f t's
you,
Momo..

But
I m ght be
ust be ng
you.

t's
okay to
rely on a
friend.

You don't
need to
suffer al by
yourself

. you
need the
nutr ents
n the so ,
the sun
and water.

But
for a
flower to
bloom .

Imagine
th s
s you,
Momo

ぴっ

Don't you know? A peach p t takes three years, eight for an apricot.

You ld ot...

I know you'll b oom beau tifully

ザワ ザワ

You sure you don't mean it takes three years for the fruit to bear?

Whaaat? Really?!

Even f you p ant that, it'll take three years for the flowers to bloom

I'm so happy now...

I could cry...

Y'know?

Look!!

Just come on!

What is it?

Momo!! Come quickly! Come on!!

I wonder if that day will truly come...

...when the flowers will bloom aga'n...

That you don't need to walk away.

I'll bet it's a message, Momo.

.....

I don't mind that you still love Toji.

You know, Momo...

...just want to be by your side.

It bloomed after only one week.

It must be a miracle.

It's amazing, isn't it?

I'm not that dumb!

I thought t m ght be something like th.s.

チョン

I knew t.

くす くす くす

Pfft.

A fruity qu'nce, en?

You caught me red handed

Hen

Hen neh!

Thank you...

Key

But..

Huh?

...now come a quince grew instead?

If yo. p anted a peach p t

おぼっ

Although he did seem kinda fruity

That old man told me th s was a peach blossom...

No way

!!

A peach b ossom doesn't ook .ike that.

Peach

Quince

A qu nce ..?

.the meaning behind peach b ossoms?

D a you know..

"'m capt vated by you."

I'm capt'vated...

どきっ

A peach blossom.

BPにっ

almost forgot.

There's one r ght nere.

What?

!!

You ...!!

What are you...?!

ちゅっ

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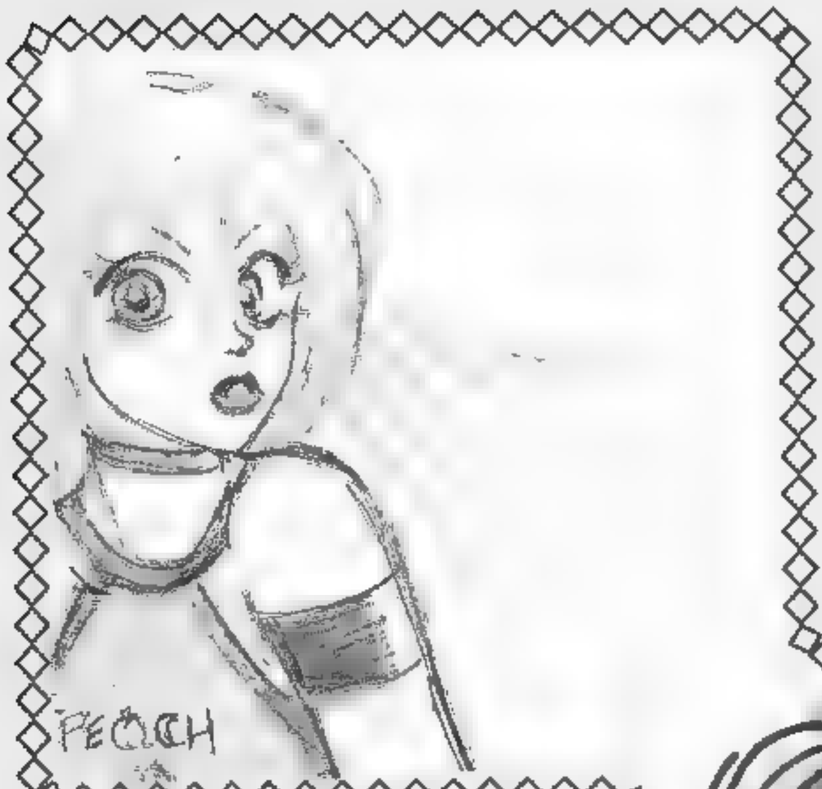

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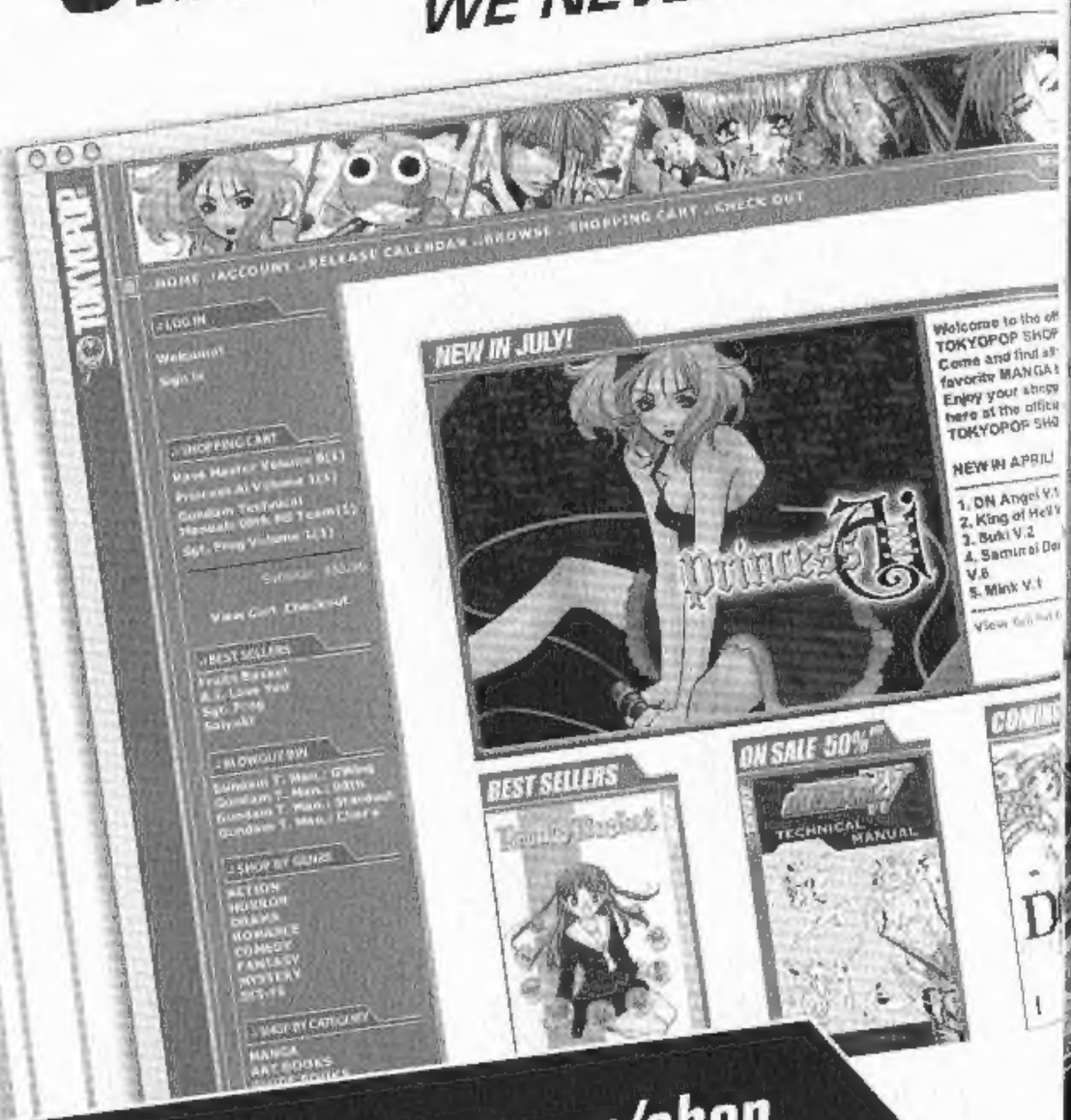


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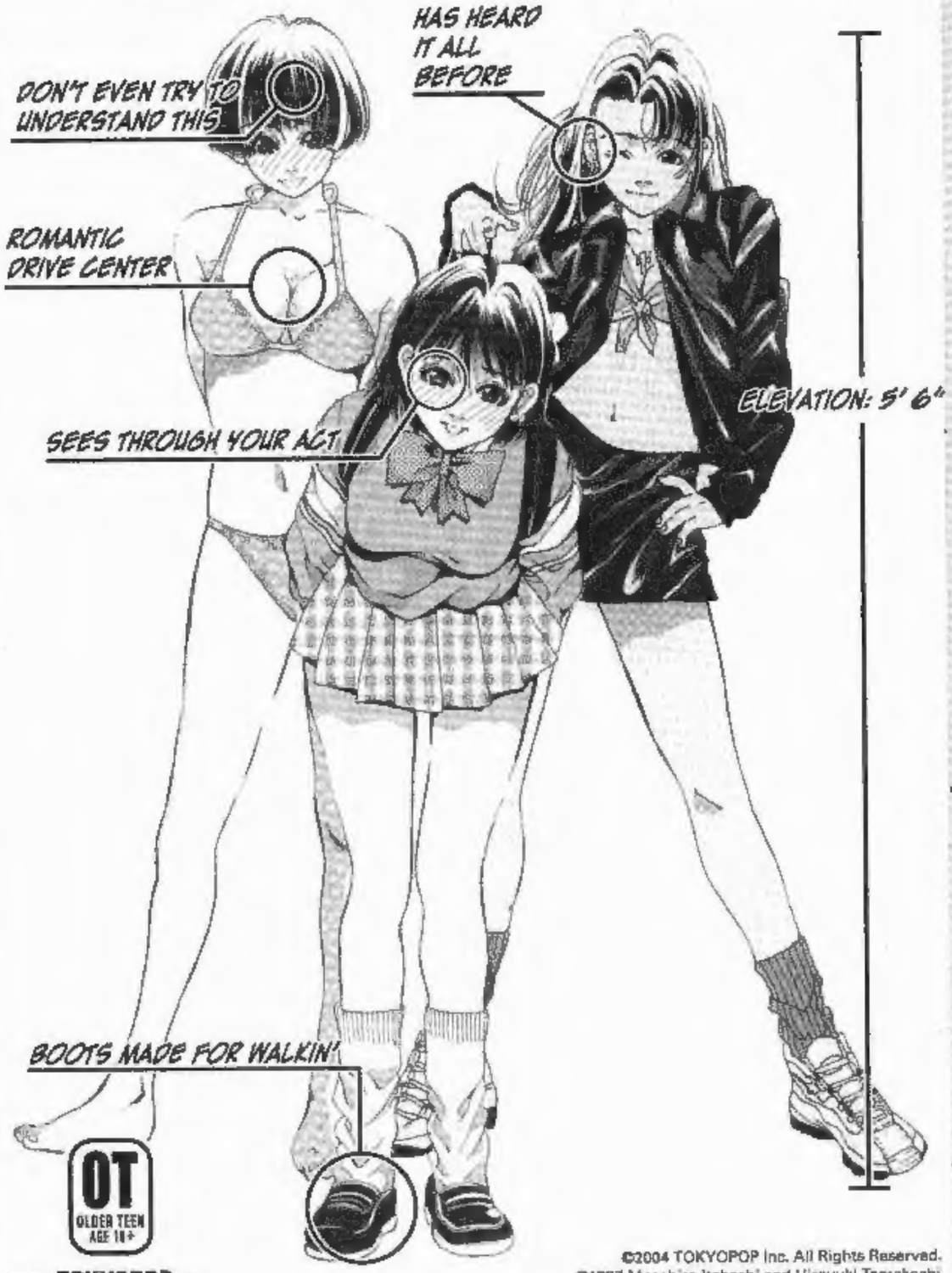
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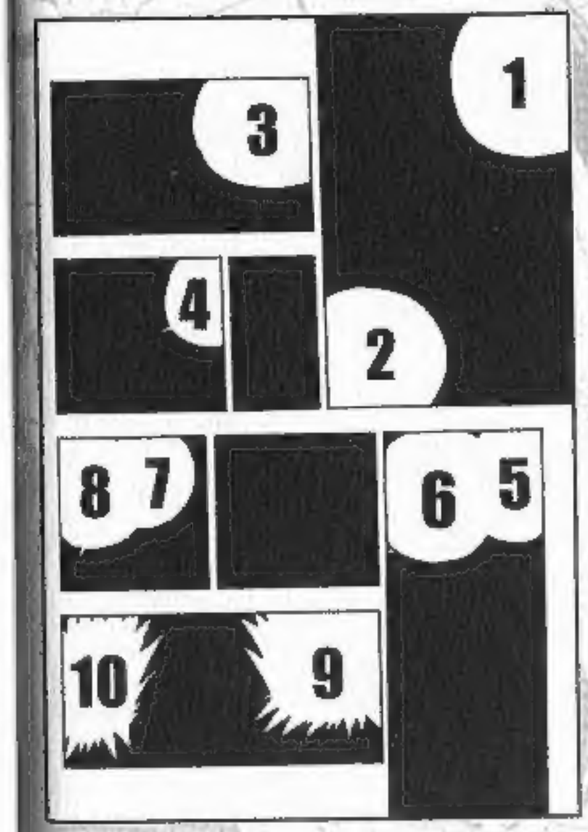


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